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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Inventor:	F. Schmitz et al.	)	Group Art Unit:	3745
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Serial No.:	10/582,598	)	Examiner:	D. White
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Filed:	June 9, 2006	)	Confirmation No.	2797
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Title	<b>USE OF A THERMAL BARRIER COATING FOR A HOUSING OF A STEAM TURBINE, AND A STEAM TURBINE</b>			

**Commissioner For Patents**  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 11, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.